

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Sillekens et al.

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THE AMPLIFICATION AND DETECTION OF SARS CORONAVIRUS*

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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the February 7, 2008 Notification of Defective Response issued regarding the above-identified patent application, enclosed is a Sequence Listing in computer readable form (CRF) as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(e).

**STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF FILING A
SEQUENCE LISTING UNDER 37 CFR § 1.821(f)**

Submitted herewith is a copy of the Sequence Listing for the above-identified patent application in computer readable form. I hereby state that the content of the computer readable form and of the paper copy of the Sequence Listing filed on December 22, 2006 is the same. I also hereby state as required under 37 CFR § 1.821(h) that the computer readable form and the paper copy of the Sequence Listing contain no new matter, nor do they go beyond the disclosure of the application as filed.

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No fee is believed due with this response. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No 50-0220.

Respectfully submitted,

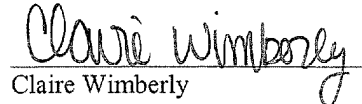


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